Conversion of Cinema Halls for Commercial Purposes

1934. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have permitted cinema owners in the capital to convert their premises for commercial purposes like guest houses, office complexes and shopping arcades;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the number of the cinema owners who have availed the opportunities till date ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) The Government has permitted the conversion of cinema theatres to commercial use subject to the condition that at least 300 seats are retained for cinema theatre and the remaining area is used only for such purposes as are permissible in the Community Centre in which the said theatre is located. The permission is further subject to the payment of conversion charges as may be payable in accordance with the normal rule.

(c) In the case of Kamal Theatre situated in Community Centre, Safdarjung Residential Scheme, NOC for conversion has been issued subject to the submission of proposal in accordance with the decision of Government and further subject to payment of the conversion charge as may be decided by the Authority. According to DDA no other cinema theatre has availed of the opportunity.

Payment of Risk Allowance to the C.P.W.D. Staff

1935. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Risk Allowance is being paid to the work-charged and daily wages staff of various Divisions of Delhi Central Circle IX of C.P.W.D. with effect from 1st January, 1986 and;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not paying the Allowance to the workers of other Divisions ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Quota of Reservation for SC/ST

1936. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that while filling up the vacancies of workcharged staff of C.P.W.D., the quota of reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, as required under the rules has not been maintained;

(b) if so, the details of such units of different zones of the Department and what steps are being taken to implement Government orders in this matter;

(c) whether instructions have been issued to maintain the percentage of reservation while filling up the posts sanctioned in September, 1992; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Development of Towns near Delhi

1937. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that new townships in addition to the eight priority towns and counter-magnet towns are going to be develop for the deflection of ten lakh population from Delhi; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and by when these townships would be developed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. The intention of NCR Board is rather to promote the growth of the existing 8 priority towns and counter-magnet towns, among others, by developing new townships along side them in an integrated manner. Accordingly, the new townships would have to be developed within the timeframe envisaged for accommodating the enhanced population targets assigned for the respective priority towns to other towns in the NCR Plan i.e. by 2001 A.D.

1938. [Transferred to 10th December, 1992.]

Delhi Rent Control Act

1939. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have considered the amendments proposed to be made in the Delhi Rent Control Act on the basis of Model Rent Control Law already presented before Parliament;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposed amendments;

(c) by when a suitable legislation is likely to be brought before Parliament; and

(d) what are the names of States which have so far made or proposed to make amendments in their Rent Control Acts on the basis of Model Rent Control Law ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a)to (c) The Government is considering amendments to Delhi Rent Control Act on the basis of the Model Rent Control Act, but the details of the amendment are to be analised before brining the legislation before Parliament.

(d) Government have not received any confirmation from the State Governments regarding amendments to the relevant State Rent Control Acts on the line of Model Rent Control Legislation till date.

Enquiry Committee report on Fire in Vigyan Bhavan

1940. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the report of the enquiry instituted to find out the causes of the fire in Vigyan Bhawan has since been received;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of its findings; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) be in negative, what are the causes of delay ?

THE MINITER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) The report of the high-powered Committee set up by the Administrator Delhi to enquire into the fire in Vigyan Bhawan has since been received.

(b) The Delhi Administration has accepted electricity as the cause of fire in Vigyan Bhawan. The Committee was of the opinion that Delhi Fire Service was quite prompt in response to the fire and was effective in tackling the situation. The shortcomings and deficiencies have been identified and remedial action on the recommendations of the Committee have already been initiated.

(c) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.

दिल्ली में अवैध रूप से बसी झुग्गी-झोंपड़ियां

1941. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :—

(क) दिल्ली में अवैध रूप से बसी झुग्गी झोंपड़ियों की संख्या कितनी है और उनमें अनुमानतः कितने लोग रह रहे हैं; और

(ख) इन अवैध झुग्गी-झोंपड़ियों को हटाने/ध्वंस करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या-क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ?